

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD DRAFT REMOVAL ACTION WORKPLAN

Niven Nursery Project Site 2 Ward Street, Larkspur, CA

The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) announces the availability of the draft Removal Action Workplan (RAW) for the Niven Nursery site located at 2 Ward Street, Larkspur, California. This document is available for public review and comment during a 45-day public comment period which begins on December 12, 2003 and ends on January 26, 2004.

The draft RAW was prepared under the oversight of DTSC. The draft RAW describes a proposed plan to address soils found at the site that contain pesticides and metals. The planned future use of the site is for residential development. The draft RAW proposes excavation and disposal of contaminated soils, and backfilling the excavated areas with clean soil from offsite. A Fact Sheet summarizing the draft RAW has been sent to a mailing list prepared for the site.

To comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and to assess the potential environmental impacts of the RAW, DTSC will rely upon the certified Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Central Larkspur Specific Plan (SCH # 2001112092) prepared by the City of Larkspur. The City of Larkspur is currently accepting comments on the draft EIR. Comments on the draft EIR should be submitted to the City of Larkspur, to the attention of Robert Pendoley, Consulting Planner, at (415) 472-3614.

The public is invited to comment on the draft RAW during the 45-day public comment period. Written comments should be postmarked no later than January 26, 2004, and mailed to Homayune Atiqee, Project Manager, at the DTSC address indicated in the box below. You can review the draft RAW at the following repository locations:

DTSC	Larkspur Public Library
700 Heinz Avenue, Suite 200	400 Magnolia Avenue
Berkeley, California 94710	Larkspur, California 94939
Mon. – Fri. 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.	Mon. – Thurs. 10 a.m. – 9 p.m.
(510) 540-3800	Fri. – Sat. 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Please call for an appointment	(415) 927-5005

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